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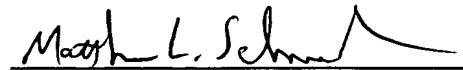
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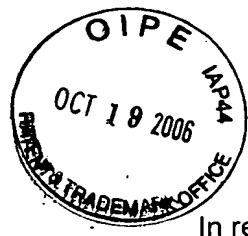
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Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 54-127023.31. U.S. Patent No. 4,526,205 corresponds to this document.

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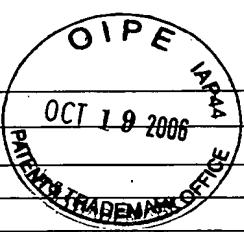
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